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June Refreshments
Beverage
 Marcia Kurtz
Treats
 Marcia Kurtz
 Dale Hellar
 Carolyn Nungesser

CLUB TOURS & MEETING SCHEDULE

June 2023



- 11-16..... High Country Tour in Breckenridge, CO.....Kibbe
- 26..... Club Meeting at Minisa Park 704 W. 13th.....7:00 PM
- 29..... The Great Race at Old Town.....Wichita

July 2023



- 4..... Derby 4th of July Parade.....Hilemans
- 7..... Newsletter Deadline...sheorr@sbcglobal.net.....Sheila Orr
- 8..... Automobilia Moonlight Car Show.....
- 24..... Club Meeting at Minisa Park 704 W 13th.....7:00PM

August 2023



- 11..... Newsletter Deadline ...sheorr@sbcglobal.net.....Sheila Orr
- 19 or 20.. Ragtime Musical Century II.....M & K James
- 21..... Club Meeting at Minisa Park 704 W. 13th.....7:00PM

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The Wichita A's meet on the 4th Monday of the month except December. We do not hold a meeting during the month of December. Other meeting changes will be published in the newsletter prior to the scheduled meeting. The meetings are held at Minisa Park, 704 W. 13th, Wichita, KS. Meeting time is 7:00 PM unless otherwise noted in the newsletter.

Wichita A's Model A Club Meeting—May22, 2023

The May 22, 2023 monthly meeting of the Wichita Model A Club was called to order by Vice President **Frank Chenoweth** who led the club in the Flag Salute. **Greg Rau** moved and it was seconded and passed to accept the April minutes as printed in the newsletter. Treasurer **Claudia Ellerman** presented the updated treasurer's report. **Donna Hileman** updated the club on president **James Sharp**. Frank shared thanks from **Kathy Swab** and **Don Waller** thanked the club for the cards and prayers they received upon the death of Don's son-in-law. **Don Grabendike** reported on the Big Kansas Road Trip and **Steve McLaughlin** summarized the club's yearly picnic at their house on Sunday.

Jim Clark reported on All Wheel's Day on June 11th, **Linda Kibbe** updated the club on the June 11 – 16 High Country Tour in Breckenridge. **Donna Hileman** announced that there would not be a charge this year for lunch at the City Library for those members participating in the July 4th parade in Derby. **Don Grabendike** is still trying to locate information on the Great Wichita Race.

The board voted to send \$150 to the Breckenridge folks to help them finance the upcoming tour.

Tom Ruggles announced that on June 4th, the Steam Train from Joyland would be at the Carousel Skate Center for those wishing to see it again. He also reminded the men about the June 1st Thursday garage get together. This month the focus would be on changing the Model a Fan.

Meeting adjourned with refreshments and a program on Dog Training by **Hank Cocking**.

Dawna Ruggles, substitute secretary

President's Report

Presidents Notes

June is the beginning of summer and there are several activities for our club members to participate in. The "All Wheels Day at Lake Afton" was held in early June. We will expect a report from those that participated. We have several members attending the "High Country Tour in Breckenridge, Colorado". The club meeting will be May 26 at Minisa Park. Rounding out the month will be the Great American Race that will be making a stop in Wichita.

I heard that the picnic at the **McLaughlins** was well attended and enjoyed by all. I am sorry that we had to miss the event. Also a big thanks to **Frank Chenoweth** for conducting the May meeting in my absence.

September is our annual meeting. Election of officers will be held at the annual meeting. If anyone is so inclined to volunteer to be an officer please let the executive board know. Being an officer is a very rewarding experience and I would encourage you to give consideration to such.

I am recovering well from my kidney transplant. I have been released back to Derby, but continue to make regular trips to Kansas City to check in with my care team. If I get the ok from my doctors I will see each of you at the June meeting.

Your President
James Sharp

Program/Vice President

News via Frank Chenoweth

I received the following from **James Sharp** on Monday, June 5. Good news. Maybe **James** will be back with us soon.

“I had my appointment on Friday and the doctor was pleased with the results. In fact, they released me to come back to Derby for a few days. I have to go back to KC this Friday for another checkup. I’ll have to continue to go to KC once a week for several more weeks. Even if not fully released to stay in Wichita, only having to go for an appointment once a week and spending the rest of the week here is good news”

Frank Chenoweth

Vice President



happy
4th
of
JULY!

A very interesting program was presented by **Hank Cocking**, owner of Midwest Dog Center. They train dogs for owners and have also trained for the Police Department.



Editor

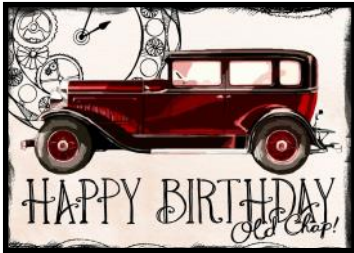


As I write this, we have a group of members who have traveled to Breckinridge, CO for the High Country Tour! Hope they are having a fabulous time and will hear all about it in the next newsletter. The club had a good attendance for the All Wheels Day at Lake Afton. Coming up is the 4th of July parade, great Race coming through Wichita and the Automobilia Moonlight Car Show.

Jim Sharp is doing well and home in Derby. Wonderful news!
Have a safe and fun summer to all!!!

Sheila Orr, Editor

Announcements



New Members

Bruce Herrington & Eleanor Youmans

Sympathy

Sympathy goes out to **Barb and Bob Phye** in the recent death of her brother of Bartlesville, OK.


Our sympathy goes out to **Barb and Bob Phye** in the recent death of her brother in law, **Chuck Englert**.

Our sympathy goes out to **Don and Donna Waller**, in the recent death of their son-in-law, **David Depew**.

- July Birthdays**
- 7 Don Short
 - 10 Jean Burke
 - 11 Tom Ruggles
 - 12 Debbie Rice
 - 21 Bud Smith Jr
 - 22 Linda Hezlep
 - 22 John Davis
 - 22 Mike Wilson
 - 25 John G Stone
 - 28 JoAnn Bruce
 - 28 Becky Price
 - 28 Linda White
 - 29 Francis Grady
 - 30 Henry Ford

MAFFI BRICK COLLECTION
 There was \$27.90 collected in the Headlight from the May meeting. Total is now \$104.15.

Denny Ellerman



THANK YOU

I wish to thank my fellow club members that sent cards and words of encouragement to me during my recent kidney transplant. It made me feel good to be associated with such a fine group of individuals. Your cards and notes made the time pass faster. I am making good progress and hope to be with you at the June Meeting. Judi and I both appreciate the kindness shown to us.

James and Judi Sharp

THANK YOU

Thank you to all our Model A Friends for all the cards and prayers upon the recent deaths of my brother-in-law and younger brother. This past year has been really hard.

Bob and Barb Phye



Refreshments



Newsletter Deadline

Friday, July 7, 2023
Sheila Orr
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June	July	August
Beverage Marcia Kurtz	Beverage Sheila Orr	Beverage Carolyn Nungesser
Treats Marcia Kurtz Dale Hellar Carolyn Nungesser	Treats Barb Phye Dawna Ruggles Kathy James	Treats Frank Chenoweth Sheila Orr Susan Stone



Happy 65th Wedding Anniversary to long time members, **Roger and Bonita Graham!**

Congratulations

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Future Events

Coffee and Donuts



Men's Coffee and Donuts at **Tom Ruggles** place will be held Thursday, July 6, 8-10AM. Address is . Activity will be cleaning and sealing gas tanks.

4th of July Parade



What: Derby 4th of July parade
Parade time: 10:00AM
Line Up: 9:30AM at Derby Football Stadium
Lunch cost: No cost to members \$10.00 for guest (choice of turkey and cheese or chicken salad) please inform which sandwich at sign-up)
Lunch will be at Derby Library
1600 Walnut Grove Rd. Derby, KS

Call Hilemans to sign up at



Club Picnic



A great time was had by all who attended our annual cookout/picnic! **Jane and Steve McLaughlin** were our gracious hosts again! A big thank you to them. Prior to eating **Don Grabendike** had car games for those who wanted to participate! Then a great meal and fellowship followed!



Claudia and Denny Ellerman participating in the car games! Nice mask Denny!!





Larry Cushenbery, John Stone, Jim Broadhead and Tom Ruggles



Steve McLaughlin preparing the Hot dogs!



Ray Harshfield, Roger Graham and Dale Havercroft



Plenty to eat and a large variety of sides!



All Wheels Day

Sunday, June 11, the All Wheels Day was held at Lake Afton. Weather was great! The rain held off and cooler temperatures than previous years. We had a nice show of cars, approximately 12 . Lunch was organized by club member, **Jim Clark**. We had a yummy meal from Mr. Goodcents! Thank you Jim!!!



MAFFI Newsletter Minute

June MAFFI Minute

Planning for MAFFI **Model A Days 2023** is nearing completion. Of course, there will be a swap meet, seminars, memorabilia sales, rides, Model A driving classes, and a dinner tour. Hotel rooms have been blocked for our guests. It will be a mix of the old and proven with a few new twists. **September 15 & 16** are the days. Visit the MAFFI or Gilmore web pages, register and make your reservations.

For those who have attended before, Model A Days at Hickory Corners is a wonderful ending to the summer season and beginning of the fall season. It is a chance to see and touch some wonderful old cars, to see what has been changed or added to the museum. There are few places like the Gilmore complex. You can sit in the shade of a maple tree and eat a sandwich and ice cream purchased from a diner converted from an old-time streetcar. While doing this you can talk with friends and look at the vintage cars.

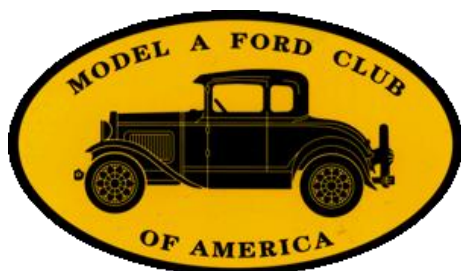
“Huff & Puff”, the Model AA school bus, will be giving rides. The theme this year will be open cars, so look for a phaeton or roadster to be giving rides around the campus. Finally, the AA stake bed truck should be moving the remainder of the passengers around the streets.

This is a great chance to visit with a large group of fellow Model A'ers, one last time before the seasons force us to choose to move most of our activities indoors.

If you are one of the many Model A Club members who will not be able to attend our event, remember September 16, is a Saturday. Use the day to have your own local Model A Day celebration with a tour, or picnic, or both, with your club. A joint tour with a neighboring club might be exciting.

Happy motoring,
Mike DuBreuil
MAFFI Board of Trustees
Secretary

National Model A Clubs



The Wichita A's Model A Ford Club encourages members to join both National MARC and MAFCA Clubs.



MAFCA

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La Habra, CA 90631-5515
www.mafca.com
U.S. Membership Cost: \$50

For membership information you can check MAFCA and MARC web sites.

MARC

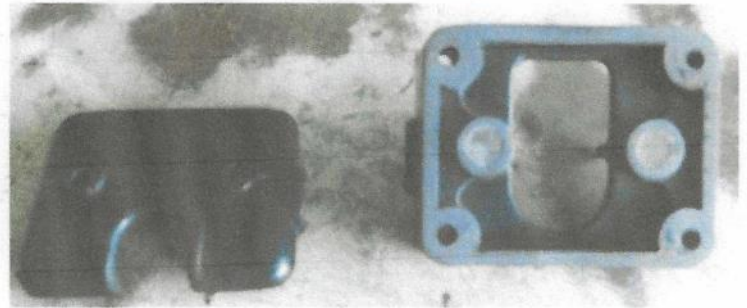
6721 Merriman
Garden City, MI 48315
<http://modelarestorers.org>
U.S. Membership Cost: \$45

TECH ARTICLE

TINY TIP: A Hidden Electrical Fault *By Tom Endy*

Reproduction Model A Ford firewall terminal blocks have been made in Hong Kong for at least 30 years and each has a potential hidden electrical fault that can cause a fire. The word Hong Kong is stamped on them.

The back side of the terminal block seen on the right attaches directly to the fire wall with four screws. The originals were made with the two terminal studs molded in, while the reproductions have two screws threaded into them from the back that form the studs, and are retained by a nut on each. The two screws can easily back out and touch the fire wall. Both studs (screws) always have battery power on them, so there would be a direct electrical short circuit that is totally obscured.



It is prudent to do some modification to the Hong Kong terminal blocks before installing them. First, apply a little Loctite to the threads of the two screws where they screw into the nut at front and securely tighten. Next fill the hole behind each screw head with JB Weld. This will prevent the screw from backing out and shorting to the fire wall. JB Weld is non-conductive. The terminal block seen at right in the photo has had this done to it.

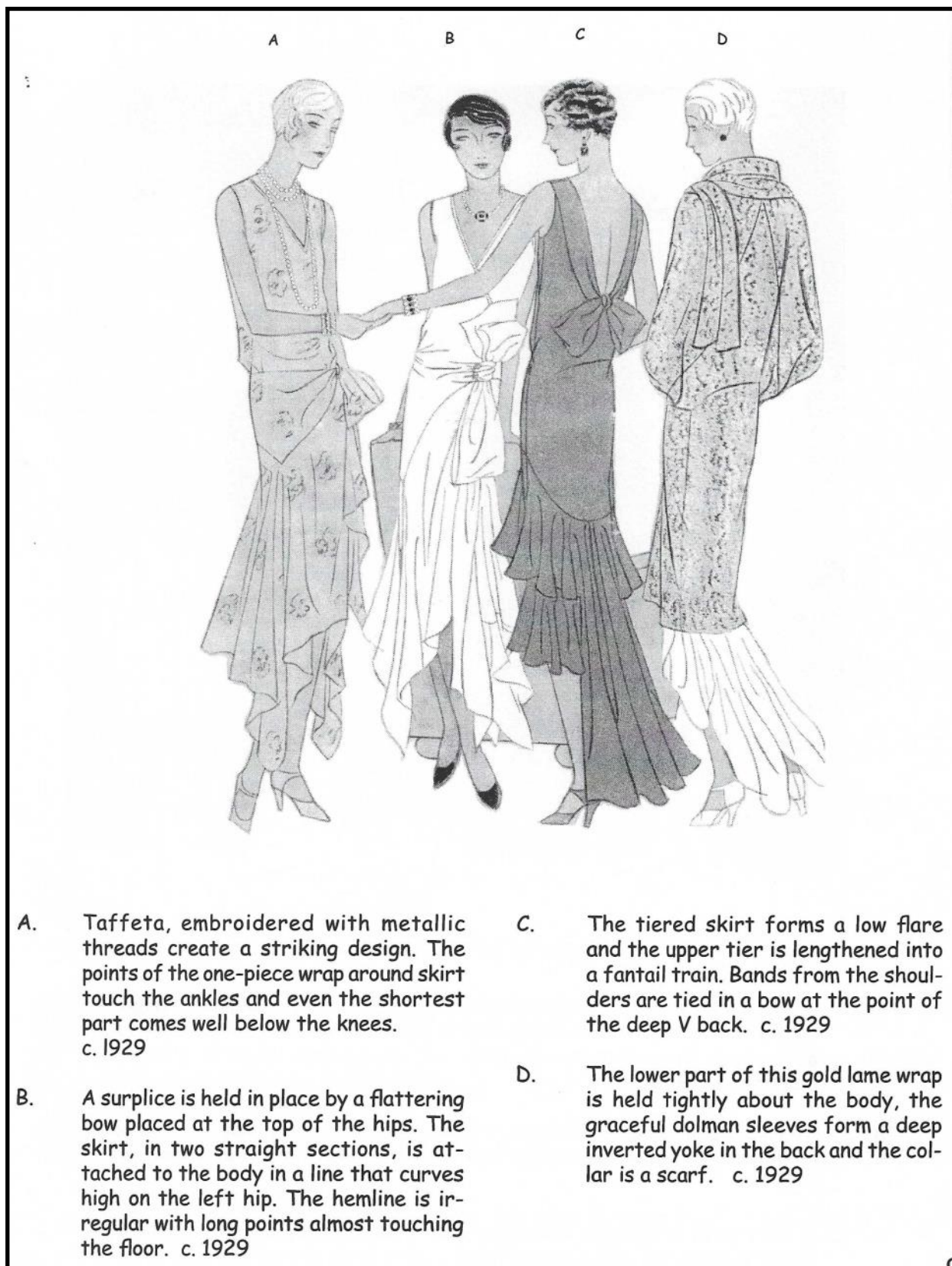
Contributed by Technical Editor, **Jim Broadhead**



Pictures from last months meeting!

ERA Fashion

EVENING AND FORMALWEAR



A. Taffeta, embroidered with metallic threads create a striking design. The points of the one-piece wrap around skirt touch the ankles and even the shortest part comes well below the knees. c. 1929

B. A surplice is held in place by a flattering bow placed at the top of the hips. The skirt, in two straight sections, is attached to the body in a line that curves high on the left hip. The hemline is irregular with long points almost touching the floor. c. 1929

C. The tiered skirt forms a low flare and the upper tier is lengthened into a fantail train. Bands from the shoulders are tied in a bow at the point of the deep V back. c. 1929

D. The lower part of this gold lame wrap is held tightly about the body, the graceful dolman sleeves form a deep inverted yoke in the back and the collar is a scarf. c. 1929

LOCAL AND NATIONAL CALENDARS

2023 SWAP MEET & CAR SHOW SCHEDULE

October 1, 2023	All Ford's Day SHOW-N-SHINE	Wichita KS
October 3-6, 2023	Hershey Region AACA Swap Meet	Hershey, PA



2023 FUTURE REGIONAL & NATIONAL MODEL A MEETS

July 16-21, 2023.....	MAFCA National Tour.....Indiana & Michigan
July 30-August 4, 2023....	MARC National Meet.....Hamilton, Ohio
September 15-16, 2023.....	12th Annual Model A Days at MAFFI Museum..Hickory Corners, MI
Nov 30-Dec 2, 2023.....	MAFCA National Awards Banquet.....Santa Maria, CA
June 23-20, 2024.....	MAFCA National Convention hosted by Santa Maria A's.....Ruidoso, New Mexico



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